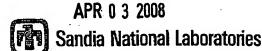
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### STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF PETITION PURSUANT TO CFR 1.137(B)

Sir:

Applicants, through their attorneys, submit this statement in support of their petition to revive the above referenced application which was abandoned on the apparent basis that Applicants' had filed to timely pay the issue fee and publication fee in a CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE mailed to the Applicants on November 30, 2007.

#### **BACKGROUND**

- 1. On October 26, 2007 Jennifer M. Lane (Reg. No. 51916) concluded an interview with Examiner Vathyam Surekha which resulted in the allowance of a single claim in the above referenced application (Exhibit A "First Interview Summary").
- 2. On October 30, 2007 a "Corrected" Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due was mailed to the Applicants (Exhibit B "Corrected Notice of Allowance"). Applicants note that there is NO record in PAIR of a Notice of Allowance generated other than the "Corrected" form sent to the Applicants. Applicants also note that the "due date" entered on this form do not

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provide the 3 month period allowed by statute and is likely a typographical error since the Corrected Notice of Allowance was mailed on the last day of November and the last day of the third month would have been <u>February 29, 2008</u> and NOT February 19, 2008.

- 3. On February 4, 2008 Applicants' representative prepared to pay the issue fee in the above referenced application and found that there was NO Part B of Form PTOL-85 attached to "Corrected" form sent to the Applicants (see Exhibit B). Applicants' representative therefore reviewed the Application Data recorded in PAIR realized that Examiner Surekha had left the Examining Corps and that Examiner Kaj Olsen had been assigned this application.
- 4. Beginning on February 4, 2008 Applicants' representative immediately began making multiple contacts with Examiner Olsen. (see Exhibit C "Second Interview Summary"). Examiner Olsen informed this representative that the Form PTOL-85 was generated by a contractor to the USPTO and was not assessable to the Examining Corps but that he would attempt to generate a Supplemental Notice of Allowance. This representative agreed that this would be an acceptable approach.
- 5. However, on February 27, 2008, because Examiner Olsen continued receiving no response to his request and because no Supplementary Notice of Allowance was forthcoming, this representative prepared a Form PTO/SB/17 "Fee Transmittal" identifying the above referenced application (Exhibit D "Fee Transmittal"), a letter explaining the instant situation (Exhibit E "Letter of Explanation") and authorizing the Commissioner to pay the issue and publication fees and transmitted these documents by facsimile on February 27, 2008.
- 6. On February 27, 2008, the issue and publication fees were accepted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("Office") and posted against Deposit Account 50-0583 (Exhibit F "Corrected Notice of Allowance" showing annotation indicating payment received).
- 7. On March 26, 2008 a Notice of Abandonment (Exhibit G "Notice of Abandonment") was placed in PAIR in the File Wrapper of the present application noting that the required fees were paid on February 27, 2008 and stating that abandonment was due to "Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance".

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THEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully PETITION the Office to vacate the holding of abandonment in Application Serial Number 10/760,139, to revive the instant application, and to pass the application to issue as the fee for such were timely paid as shown.

This reply is:

Respectfully Submitted,

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# EXHIBIT A



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Interview Summary

Paper No. 20071026

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Continuation Sheet (PTOL-413)

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TITLE OF INVENTION: DIELECTROPHORESIS DEVICE AND METHOD HAVING NON-UNIFORM ARRAYS FOR MANIPULATING PARTICLES

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The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 564 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 564 day(s).

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#### **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The closest prior art is Austin et al. (US 6,824,664) in view of Christel et al. (US 6,368,871).

Regarding claim 23, Austin ('664) in view of Christel ('871) does not disclose or render obvious the step of trapping the particles in a ring around a center of the radial array, along with the remaining limitations of the claim.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nam X. Nguyen can be reached on 571-272-1342. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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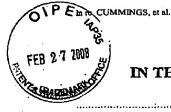
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#### RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 81 311

Sir:

Applicants, through their representative, respectfully present the following reply to the CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE mailed to the applicants on November 30, 2007 (copy enclosed) in the matter of U.S. Application Serial Number 10/760,139. Applicants did not receive the copy of PART B of form PTOL-85 with the initial NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE. In the interim period between the mailing of the NOTICE and the Applicants taking up this application to pay the fees the Applicants found that the Examiner originally assigned to this matter has left the employment of the USPTO and a new Examiner had been assigned. A review of PAIR indicated that this form was never included with the file wrapper in the instant application. Repeated calls to the newly assigned Examiner have failed to resolved the issue.

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Therefore, in order to avoid a failure to provide timely notice to the USPTO to pay the issue fees in this application, Applicants include herein form PTO/SB/17 "Fee Transmittal for FY 2008" and expressly authorize the Commissioner to charge the require fees to the Applicants' Deposit Account 50-0583 the amount of \$1740.00 to pay the issue fee and publication fee in application serial number 10/760,139.

This response is:

Respectfully submitted by,

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#### **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8**

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